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## THE JOY OF SERVICE

Oh, the secret joy and sweetness,  
Of abiding in His love,  
When on us He sends the Blessings,  
Precious showers, from above.

Could we only, simply trust Him,  
Such rich blessings He would send,  
For His heart with love's o'er flowing,  
And His mercy knows no end.

May our hearts and minds be open  
To receive from His rich store,  
Precious gifts which He has promised,  
On His children, to out pour.

"Empty us of selfish seeking,  
Fill our hearts with love for Thee,  
Vessels, unto honor, make us,  
Freed from self, Lord, may we be."

Oh, the secret joy of service,  
Tho' it may cost much of pain,  
Hearts may bleed from grief and anguish  
But our loss will be but gain.

"May we realize our weakness,  
And on Thee for strength rely,  
Grace, thou givest to the humble,  
Thine ear is open to their cry.

"Guided by Thy Holy Spirit,  
May our lives conform to Thine,  
And receive the living water,  
As the branch does from The Vine."

L. A. Beck.

# The Church And Her Young People

Pastor E. L. McRae

Let me bring before our large End Times family, a matter that is near and dear to all our hearts—the church and her young people. My reason for doing this is two-fold. First to set before us “Oldsters” some very pointed and profitable scriptures relative to youth. Secondly to dare young people to face the scriptures and be the kind of young people God intended them to be.

One of the great verses of scripture in the Bible on this subject is found in the pastoral letter I Tim. 4:12, “Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity”. This verse is often quoted but seldom analyzed. Let pastors get up in their pulpits and expound this verse and it will go a long way in clarifying the young people's position in the church of Jesus Christ. Please note the great value it places upon young men. Do not shut your eyes to the tremendous potential the Holy Spirit put upon youth. This verse makes it clear, that God expects them to go places and do things. The highest calling in the universe, that of preaching the Gospel, is entrusted to a youth by the name of Timothy. Our country will take these young fellows, invest thousands of dollars in them, to put them in the cockpit of our high powered jet aircraft, and they come through with the goods. You have seen them perform unbelievable feats of speed and acrobatics that compells you to admire their skill and daring. These same young men can be transformed by the power of God, trained and put in our pulpits to be “sky pilots” for Jesus Christ. They too will give a good account of themselves. With this in mind check Paul's admonition in I Tim. 4:12, “Let no man despise thy youth”. May this word “despise” come to us in its full meaning. Young's Concordance gives us the Greek word “Kata-phroneo” the translation “To think down upon”. What are our thoughts toward young people who

know and love the Lord? Do we think down upon them? This should not be. To look down on them because of their age is against the teaching of the Word. I think of young people that have gone on record in the Old Testament as doing exploits for God. Among them is young Joseph, who endured the hatred of his older brethren, who felt the anguish of being separated from his father and home, who did not falter or fail under trial in Egypt, who under God became premier of Egypt in his young life. Remember the story of David. How he was despised by his kin and king Saul. A very young fellow, but he had faith in God. When very young in years great responsibility fell on his head. There are many examples, but let us cite one more. Josiah, II Chron. 34:3, “For in the eighth year of his reign while he was yet young, he began to seek after the God of David, his father: and in the

place in the work of the church. They too can and must serve. God's hand has been on the young women also, and they have proven themselves. Think of the two outstanding examples in the Old Testament, Ruth, the young Moabitess, and her great decision and determination. How it was rewarded, God putting her in the divine lineage of the Saviour. We must also make mention of Esther. What commendable courage she displayed in doing the will of her God. No, we do not need to go to Hollywood to find our ideal. Surely that is looking in the wrong direction. Rather turn to the Bible and find in these young characters an incentive to live for God. So, may we who are older, never “think down upon youth”, but see in our Sunday school, in our young peoples, Josephs, Davids, Josiahs, Ruths and Esthers, for God has poured out His spirit upon young men and young maidens. Joel 2:28, 29.

Now let Paul speak directly to young people. He tells you to be an example of what a believer should be. When some one looks around for real live testimony of the saving and keeping power of God, they can point at you, and say, “That is what God can do with a young life”. Now just what kind of an example did Paul desire Timothy to be? First an example in the Word. Young people do not make the mistake of putting off Bible study until you are old. That is a grave error. Ask old people, they will tell you, that the mind slows up with the years and study becomes more difficult. It is much harder to acquire and retain Bible knowledge in old age. Now we are also to be an example in conversation. Not your walk this time, but your talk that tells for Jesus. Next we are to be examples in love. Youth can and do live Jesus Christ. Young people can be filled with the Holy Ghost, with the love of God shed abroad in their hearts by the Holy Ghost. Now Paul wants young Timothy to be an example in faith. Can youth have faith? Yes of course they can. Young people do not let anything rob you of a rich

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twelfth year he began to purge Judah and Jerusalem from the high places, and the groves, and the molten images”. Notice the words, “while he was yet young”. So we see that youth has a place in God's great program. Youth had a place of prominence in the early church. Acts 5:6, “And the young men arose, wound him up, and carried him out, and buried him.” Here we see the young doing a very difficult thing, working with God in the arduous task of purging his church. No we will not forget the young women, and their important



# DIVINE HEALING

Let it first be stated that when we speak of Divine Healing, we mean healing of the body by the Lord Jesus Christ in answer to the prayer of faith, as taught and practised by the primitive church after Pentecost. To a great extent this glorious truth has been lost sight of in the church, and many of God's people today have no other thought than to seek to the physicians rather than to the Lord, who Himself declared "I am the Lord that healeth thee". (Ex. 15:26.) Lest we should be misunderstood, humanity at large owes a great debt to medical science, and enormous strides have been made to alleviate the ills of mankind, which we with others do not seek to deny. Nevertheless, for the people of God there is a more certain deliverance from their sicknesses and diseases, even when medical science throws up its hands, and says it can do no more.

The Word says, "Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, and today and forever". (Heb. 13:8.) What did He do "yesterday"? He healed ALL that came unto him: blinded eyes were opened; deaf ears unstopped; the tongue of the dumb was loosed; the lame were healed, and lepers were cleansed; even the dead were raised. Who did all this? Jesus of Nazareth! The Word says He is the same "today" as He was "yesterday". He has not changed. His touch has still its ancient power. His compassions fail not. He is still interested in the ills of man, and not only CAN, but WILL HEAL ALL who come to him in faith believing. He created us. Read what John 1:1 says—"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. ALL THINGS WERE MADE BY HIM; and without Him was not anything made that was made." We repeat—He created us. And if He created us, has He not the power to heal us when we are sick? Who will deny that the maker of a watch has power to repair the same watch! Yet today a skeptical ministry will sow seeds of doubt in the hearts of God's people as to the ability, and willingness of Christ to heal today. It will extol

the virtues of human attainment in the realm of medical science, while denying to the Creator the continuance of His creative power.

Where did sickness originate? How did it enter this world, and what was its immediate cause? These are questions we must first consider. In Romans 5:12 we are told that "Wherefore as by one man (Adam) sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned". Physical (as well as spiritual) death are here spoken of; thus physical death, together with every disease and sickness that produce it, are the results of sin. Adam sinned through disobedience to God, and in sinning reaped its wages—death. His offspring, born after his own likeness, are partakers of a body subject to death. Thus the Word says—"Death passed upon all men". No sooner is a child born into the world, than the process of decay begins its deadly work. We are members of a fallen race, the result of our forefather Adam yielding to Satan. Satan is thus the real author of sin, sickness and death.

We read in John 5:14 that Jesus said to the impotent man he healed at the pool of Bethesda—"Sin no more lest a worse thing come upon thee". His sickness was the result of sin. Again in Matt. 9:5-6 Jesus connects sickness and sin together. He said "Whether is easier, to say, Thy sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Arise, and walk? But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins (then saith he to the sick of the palsy) Arise, take up thy bed, and go into thine house". The people doubted his power to forgive sins, so he says to them in effect, "I will prove my power to forgive sins, by curing the palsy which is the result of sin. When you see I can heal sin's consequences, you will no longer doubt my power to pardon the sin itself." Today the doubts are reversed. Men readily believe His power to forgive but question His power to heal. Remember—"He is the same today". He never changes. He can heal as easily as He can forgive sins. Every sickness and disease which the Lord Jesus encountered

during his earthly ministry was the direct results of sin, Satan's work. In confirmation of this we read in Acts 10:38 that "God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and HEALING ALL WHO WERE OPPRESSED OF THE DEVIL: for God was with Him". Thus we see that all this sickness and disease was the oppression of the devil. The Bible clearly teaches that Satan has evil spirits whose special work is to afflict mankind. In Luke 13:11 we read "And, behold, there was a woman which had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bowed together, and could in no wise lift up herself", and in verse 16 we read Jesus said "Ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath Day". This poor woman had been BOUND WITH A SPIRIT OF INFIRMITY FOR 18 years by Satan. Again we find in Mark 9:25 "When Jesus saw that the people came running together, He rebuked the foul spirit, saying unto him, THOU DUMB AND DEAF SPIRIT, I charge thee come out of him, and enter no more into him". We see therefore that not only are there Spirits of Infirmity, but Deaf and Dumb Spirits which afflict mankind. Satan is not only the author of sickness, but the propagator of same through the many evil spirits under his control.

Nevertheless he has no power to bring such sickness or disease upon God's children except by God's permission. The familiar story of Job bears out this statement. God testified to Job's integrity, and immediately Satan charged God with hedging Job in so that he could not get at him. Thereupon God gave him permission to take away all Job's possessions, which he proceeded to do. When that failed to shake Job's integrity, Satan again asked God's permission to afflict Job, in these words—"Skin for skin, yea all that a man hath will he give for his life. But put forth thine hand now, and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse thee to thy face. And the Lord said unto Satan, Behold he is in thine hand; but save his life." (Job 2:4-6.) So "Satan smote Job with sore boils from the sole of his foot

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## SOUTHERN RHODESIA, AFRICA

Greetings in Jesus' Name from the Red Sea:

This is just a note from aboard ship (the Warwick Castle) as we are sailing toward our destination (the Port of Beira, Portuguese, East Africa) on our way to Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia. We will not arrive at Beira until July the fifth, and then a night and day by train to Salisbury.

The trip so far has been very pleasant, and we here wish to express our thanks to all those who have made our return journey possible. May the Lord bless you one and all. We are both looking forward to getting back to our field of labor.

It was made possible through the generosity of one of the members of our Vancouver Assembly to take a side trip to Norway. Sister Currie has a brother there (Paul Nordby) and his wife and family and many other of her relations, particularly through her father's side. We spent over a week at Lunde and Oslo. At Lunde Sister Currie spoke at the Pentecostal Church, of which her mother was the first Pentecostal. We also showed the pictures. On our return to Oslo, I had the opportunity of preaching to the second largest Pentecostal Church there.

It happened that we were in Oslo on May 17th, which is their "1st of July". Thousands of school children marched past the Palace of the king. We, being outsiders, were given special tickets for seats in front of the balcony of the Palace. The king, Haakon, had an accident and broke his hip, and was not able to be out, but the Crown Prince and his son and daughter were on the balcony to take the salute. After two hours had passed and still it seemed that only half of the children and bands representing each school had passed, we had to rush away for a lunch and catch our plane for London.

On returning to England it had been arranged by Sister Spencer (who used to be in Canada with her late husband) for us to hold a meeting in Liverpool. Brother Webb is pastor of "The Bee Hive Mission" there. Here we enjoyed a week of blessing. There were several that took a stand for the Lord during this meeting. Here again we showed our pictures one night in a Parish Hall that they rented for the occasion. On Wit Monday they also had this hall for what they call in England a convention. It consisted of two services (afternoon and night). There were a number of ministers from the surrounding cities.

It was also my privilege to speak in another Pentecostal church in the city of Maidstone in Kent. This was a Sunday morning and night.

Then we had a Sunday afternoon on the Pierhead at Liverpool in an open air. Then again we went to Hyde Park, another day. Here it was the wrong day and time to see the large open air services that are held there.

Well I see I must close for now, and again we both wish to say a big thank you to all in the homeland for their hospitality.

Brother and Sister C. S. Currie.

**THE PRINTED PAGE, ONE  
OF YOUR GREATEST  
WEAPONS FOR  
SPREADING THE GOSPEL.  
DO YOU USE IT?  
IF YOU HAVE RECEIVED  
A BLESSING FROM  
READING THE  
END TIMES, LET US  
HEAR FROM YOU.**

## WHAT IS NOT THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY GHOST

Pastor F. J. Kosick

Often we see the truth on any given doctrine much clearer when it is compared and contrasted with other truths in the Bible. It would

not be fair to just look at the positive side of this truth, and not consider the possible negative side of the same truth.

(1) THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY GHOST IS NOT REGENERATION—Such phrases, as salvation, new birth, or any phrase that may be applied to our "common salvation" is what we call "regeneration". There are many fine Christians who do not distinguish between "salvation" which is one work of the Holy Spirit, and "Receiving the Baptism of the Holy Ghost", which is a subsequent experience of salvation. The Bible teaches very plainly that the Baptism of the Holy Ghost is an experience additional to the experience of salvation. We will examine this statement in the light of God's Word.

The disciples that Jesus chose before Pentecost were already His "branches" and clean through His Word before the Pentecostal experience. Here is what Jesus said about them. "I am the vine, ye are the branches." (John 15:5.) "Now Ye are clean through the Word which I have spoken unto you." (John 15:3.) They most assuredly were His before Pentecost because He claimed them to be His very own in His high priestly prayer. "I pray for them: I pray not for the world but for them which thou hast given me; for they are thine. And all mine are thine, and thine are mine; and I am glorified in them." (John 17:9-10.) How could anyone say that these disciples were not saved before the Day of Pentecost, when Jesus boldly asserted that they were. In case there is still a doubt as to the spiritual position of these disciples, let us further examine the scripture. You remember how the disciples came one day to Jesus and rejoiced because they healed the sick, and how the demons were subject unto them through His Name. Yet Jesus showed unto them something greater to rejoice in than merely rejoicing in the manifested power of His Name over these things. What was the centre of the Joy that He tried to emphasize? He told them to rejoice, especially in the fact that "their names are written in heaven". Let me quote this important passage. "And the seventy returned again

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## THE INDISPENSABILITY OF VISION TO PROGRESS

Evangelist A. Kudra

Reading a current news magazine, I came across a sentence that really caught my eye. A large steel company had a sizeable advertisement in this magazine and in the corner of this ad, were written the words, "Vision is Indispensable to Progress". This is a tremendous statement. In the ministry it is an indisputable fact! The Bible says, "Where there is no vision, the people perish". Prov. 29:18.

The secret of the onward march of the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ in the Apostolic Age was due to their great vision of the task that confronted them. Pentecost was fulfilled in the lives of 120 people and they became flaming evangelists of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. Their entire being was literally ablaze for God. "They went everywhere preaching the word of God." They knew no fear of man. On one occasion they stood before the leaders of the Sanhedran and were asked to refrain from preaching the name of Jesus Christ. They stood firm with the Lord and replied, "We would rather obey God than man". They were persecuted, driven out of cities, their lives were in jeopardy constantly, many of them laid down their lives for the Gospel's sake. Many were ostracized from their families and loved ones because of their Christian experience yet they remained true to the Lord. What did they have that kept them on the firing line for God? We believe it was their vision. They saw the helpless, the lost and the damned making their way into hell. They knew of the Lord's words regarding humanity, for had He not said, "For wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat". With the Pentecostal experience burning in their souls coupled with the Lord's command to "Go out into all the world and preach the gospel"; they went forth to conquer the enemy.

Many of God's people have their vision dimmed by the material things they possess. Many are delving into the things of the world. It seems that our modern

innovations have made us indolent, and spiritually flabby! Many are not prepared to "fight the good fight of faith". Others are sitting by complacently doing nothing for the Lord Jesus Christ. It is pathetic to see so many in lethargy and indifference! May the Lord speak to us and waken us up to the need that there lies before us. Countless thousands pass into eternity every day and walk right by us into the very mouth of hell. "Hell hath enlarged herself" says Isaiah through the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. Peter says this of the Christians that are sitting down on the tremendous job that confronts them, "But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins". 2 Pet. 1:9. Oh, we would ask you to heed the Scripture found in the apocalypse, Rev. 3:18 "anoint thy eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see". These words were uttered by the Lord Jesus Christ and can be well applied to those that are lax in their Christian living. Why don't you ask for this spiritual eyesalve that you may see clearly what is wrong with your present life and then see what great responsibility lies upon you?

The Lord Jesus Christ kept His disciples' vision keen by constantly referring to the great need that confronted them. Here are some instances where He did that: Matt. 9:36-38 "When he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd. Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest." Yes, our Lord saw the great need. It wasn't a future need for laborers but a present need for workers. He made this very plain to His followers when He said, "Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are WHITE ALREADY TO HARVEST". (Jn. 4:35.) After He challenged them, He SENT THEM OUT IN PAIRS WITH A TREMENDOUS COMMISSION; hear the words of Matthew 10:1 "When

he had called unto him his twelve disciples, he gave them power against unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease." We read in Luke 10:1-2 "After these things the Lord appointed other seventy also, and sent them two and two before his face into every city and place, whither he himself would come. Therefore said he unto them, The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth laborers into his harvest."

Notice please, when the twelve and the seventy caught sight of the vision, THEY WENT FORTH in faith and preached! Their vision resulted in many miracles taking place and demons were expelled and many other wonderful things occurred when they proclaimed the name of Jesus Christ. This is all the result of having a mighty vision for the lost. The seventy returned to our Lord later and proudly exclaimed, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us through thy name!" They were thrilled with the results and could hardly contain themselves! They received real joy to lead others to Christ. They discovered that their vision was indispensable to successful Christian work!

The Saviour is still looking for laborers that are willing to step out for Him. Are you willing to step into the rank and file of the Christian soldiers and march ahead for Christ. Is your vision keen and sharp? May you with Isaiah of old humbly say, "HERE AM I LORD, SEND ME".

## ASK YE OF THE LORD RAIN IN THE TIME OF THE LATTER RAIN

(Zech. 10:1)

Evangelist Russel Richardson

Rain is the very essence of life, and without it the ground becomes hard and parched, but Israel had the promise in Deut. 11:14. "That I will give you the rain of your land in his due season, the first rain and the latter rain, that thou mayest gather in thy corn, and thy wine, and thine oil.

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# STORYTIME

## THE BATTLE WITH AMALEK

Mary Ellis



The desert was so dry and the sun was so hot! But the cool refreshing waters still flowed from the rock that God had told Moses to strike with his shepherd's rod. I'm quite sure that the Children of Israel didn't want to leave Rephidim after the Lord had so wonderfully supplied them with water. But all was not well for soon trouble came to God's people, and do you know why our loving Heavenly Father allows trouble to come to His own? Why yes, that's right, so we will learn to trust Him all the more.

A big black engine looks strong, but you don't know how very, very strong it is until you see it pulling a big long train of heavy boxcars full of steel rails. But as the engine pulls all that long heavy load then, you know that the engine really is strong.

The Children of Israel did not know how wonderful our Lord is until they got into trouble in Egypt, and saw what wonderful things He did to bring them out. They did not know what miracles He could work until He divided the waters of the Red Sea and got them out of that trouble too. When they got hungry and had no food, that was a big trouble, but it made them know what a kind loving God He is for He sent them manna from heaven. And when they thought they would die they were so thirsty, that was another trouble, but it only showed that there is nothing too hard for God to do. For He caused that lovely water to gush out of the rock and flow in the desert. Now, see if you can tell why our loving Heavenly Father sends trouble to His people. Does He want us to get afraid when they come? Or sad? Oh no, no. Why should we be afraid or sad, when our wonderful Lord will help us.

Trouble came to the Children of Israel at Rephidim, for the nation of Amalek made war against them. War! Oh how dreadful! That was

indeed a big trouble. Perhaps God could not help them in such a very big trouble. They would surely all be killed. Oh no indeed! No trouble is too big for our heavenly Father. He knows just how to help us. He can do everything. He has all power. So Moses, God's messenger, spoke to Joshua, and said, "Joshua, choose out some men for tomorrow you must take them out to fight against Amalek. I'll be standing on the top of that hill over there, with the rod of God in my hand." Joshua was like Moses, he obeyed promptly. He didn't say "I can't" or "I don't want to". So early the next morning he started out with the men. Maybe their hearts were beating very fast, and perhaps they were afraid, for war is certainly a dreadful thing and they might all be killed. But I am sure Joshua would remind them that God was with them, and God would fight for them. Perhaps he reminded them how God fought for them at the Red Sea, and how He brought them out of Egypt, and how He was sending them manna every day and water from the rock. Then the men's hearts would be brave, and they would say, "Yes, our heavenly Father will take care of us in this trouble too."

What a long battle it was. It lasted all morning long. I think by noon the men would be getting tired, and hungry, and thirsty, but they would not stop until the battle was won. Sometimes they seemed to be winning. At other times the enemy seemed to be getting the victory. Oh my, would this battle never end! On and on it went, all through the long afternoon. I wonder if they asked, "Why does God let this battle be so long?" I hope they didn't, for that would be wrong. It would not be trusting our wonderful Lord. I hope they said, "Well, the battle is long and we are tired, but our loving heavenly Father is helping us and we will be patient. We will win the

battle yet." Where was Moses all this time? Well, he was up on the top of the hill and Aaron and Hur were with him there. As long as Moses held up his hand, with the rod of God in it, the Children of Israel were victors. But after a long time Moses' arms got so tired he had to put them down, and whenever he put his arms down, then the enemy was the victor.

Dear Moses! He knew he must hold that rod up if the Children of Israel were to win. But oh, his arms got so tired he just could not keep them up hour after hour. Then, Aaron and Hur helped him. They got a big stone and rolled it under him, so he could sit down. That helped a lot. But still his arms would ache until he would have to bring them down to rest them, then the enemy would win. So Aaron and Hur helped some more. They stood one on each side of Moses, and each held up an arm. Now Moses' arms were steady until sunset, and the Children of Israel won the battle! Hallelujah!

The next day, what a buzzing of voices. Everybody was talking about the big victory. Maybe some said it was because the men fought so bravely. Maybe others said that it was because Moses held up the rod of God. I am sure the Lord was pleased with the men who fought so bravely, for they helped to win the battle. And I am sure He was pleased with Moses, for he too had helped to win the battle. But I think He smiled down on Aaron and Hur, for they also helped to win the battle. They couldn't be soldiers and carry a sword. They couldn't hold up the rod of God, but they were willing to do what they could—just to hold up Moses' hands. And without their help the battle would not have been won.

**WORRY IS THE INTEREST  
ONE PAYS ON BORROWED  
TROUBLE.**



## THE CHURCH AND HER YOUNG PEOPLE

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and unshakeable faith in Jesus Christ. In your praying ask largely and believe God for great things. Begin the life of faith while you are yet tender in years.

What a challenge comes to youth in Paul's last exhortation, "Be an example in purity". What a great privilege to take your stand on this important matter of moral standing. Refuse to lower yourself or abase yourself to please a Godless, worldly crowd. "Keep thyself pure". Let this be always uppermost in your mind. Yes, young people, the church needs you and you need the church. Yes, you have a great duty to perform in this Christian way. I trust that many of you shall hear God's call to greater and loftier service, full-time service for your Master. Let no man despise thy youth. We that are older will not despise them, but will do what we can to help them take their place in the church.

## DO ALL SPEAK WITH TONGUES?

E. W. STORIE

The above question was asked by the Apostle, in order to show the different operations of the Holy Spirit in the churches, but it was not asked, regarding the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. The members of the church had received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, and also, had all the gifts of the Spirit in operation. How different to the present day churches, where the Holy Spirit is not wanted, and where too, His gifts are not allowed to function! It is true that these gifts had been wrongly used in this particular church, but how much better to have gifts that can be regulated by the church, than to have to depend on natural talent! We all know that it is much better to have children in a home full of life, than to have that same home full of weak, unhealthy children. So it is in the spiritual—it is much better to have life in the church, and have a little wildfire, than to have no fire at all. One could have all the forms he pleased, but the world knows this is not the thing the Apostles had on the Day of

Pentecost, or as was written of in the Acts of the Apostles. There were some people in those days who had gone very extreme so far as the gifts were concerned, but there is no account of any extreme actions in the Acts of the Apostles, because one is the Holy Spirit in operation, and the other, is the gifts of the Spirit in operation by the individuals.

Just imagine the Holy Spirit saying, "For we know in part, and we prophesy in part". I Cor. 13:9. If you are a Christian, you will know that the Holy Spirit is God, and that therefore, He knows all things, in which case, how could He say that He only knew in part? How too, would He prophesy in part? But as we see, the Bible is not speaking about the Spirit of God—it is dealing with the spirit of man, and a gift which is operated by man. "And the spirits (plural) of the Prophets (plural) are subject to the Prophets." I Cor. 14:32. The spirits of the Prophets are human spirits, and they are operating the gifts. They may go to extremes in using any one of these particular gifts, and this is the reason these chapters were written, they are for instruction to the church. Yet, this is not connected with the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, where we are told that the people spake as "the Spirit gave utterance". Acts 2:4. When people receive the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, they speak as the Spirit gives utterance, but in Corinthians it is, as we notice, the human spirit which is operating a gift that has been given by the Spirit to an individual. Then, as we find, the Spirit is instructing the church as to how the individual should operate the gifts in the Church of God.

The Spirit of God has instructed people who have received the Holy Ghost to seek earnestly the best gifts. If the Holy Spirit was operating the gifts, would He not know which were the best gifts for any particular meeting, as well as for each individual? Nevertheless, the Holy Spirit is not in operation in the full sense of the word, because He is teaching the individuals in the church how to properly use the gifts in that church. We do sometimes see wildfire and find it necessary to correct a few people, but we love these same people, and therefore correct them according to the Word of God. On the other

hand, we do not tell the Holy Spirit that we do not like His manifestations and His gifts.

We are not fanatical, and do not stand on the platform before an audience and speak in tongues to show people that we can speak in tongues. Some folks may have done so, and they would be no worse than the Corinthian Church, but the Holy Spirit has instructed us, and we follow His teaching. Our critics are just as bad as the above mentioned people, for they will not allow speaking in tongues in a prayer meeting, or even in the different homes. You see, they do not know the place for the gifts, and therefore, go to the extreme on the other side and forbid the speaking in tongues, but the Bible says, "Forbid not to speak with tongues". I Cor. 14:39. "For he that speaketh in an unknown tongue speaketh not unto men, but unto God; for no man understandeth him." I Cor. 14:2. "He that speaketh in an unknown tongue edifieth himself" (I Cor. 14:4). Here is clear evidence from God's Word that the gift is good, when it is properly used. Everybody does not receive the same gift, therefore, all have not the gift of tongues, in which case they do not speak in tongues except as the Spirit (Holy Spirit) gives them utterance. This is not the question asked in this portion of scripture, "Do all speak with tongues?" (the gift of tongues). Everyone speaks with tongues as the Spirit gives them utterance when they receive the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, because that is the evidence of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. It was the way that Peter knew the people received the Holy Ghost. "For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God." Acts 10:46. There are some people who claim they know more than Peter, the Apostle of the Lord Jesus Christ, but we would much rather take the words of the Apostle, and he said it was the "like gift", as the Apostles received on the Day of Pentecost at the beginning. The critics say "it is of the flesh", when they hear about people speaking in tongues, but they forget that they are those who are living in the flesh, and are carnal, because they deny the Power of God and dwell in the cold letter of "a form of godliness, denying the power thereof." There-

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"REMEMBER NOW THY CREATOR IN  
THE DAYS OF THY YOUTH . . ."  
(Ecclesiastes 12:1.)



## TOPICS FOR TEENS

### Your Title Deed:

In case you didn't know it, a Christian is one in whom Christ dwells. And, contrary to popular belief, Christians are **not** self-developed, or manufactured, or home-grown, but "**born from above**". This month we've another important truth for you to consider.

If some obscure character were suddenly to lay claim to a large estate, obviously the mere claim itself would not prove him to be the rightful heir. He must produce the **title-deed** showing his claim was a proper one and that he was really on the level, otherwise he would be out on his ear.

Now after we have received this "**new life**" (1 John 5:12, 13), by faith in Christ Jesus, and have become a new "**creation**" in Him (2 Corinthians 5:17), our adversary, the Devil, will undoubtedly challenge us with such questions as, "Are you **SURE** you are a Christian? Do you **FEEL** you are saved?" etc., etc. This is where we remember our old Boy Scout motto and "**Be Prepared!**" We must produce our **title-deed**, for these doubts are just the Devil's attempt to disturb our faith and rob us of assurance. What is our **title-deed** you ask, it is the **Word of God**. Yes, it is the "**Sword of the Spirit**" (Ephesians 6:17), that we use to silence Satan once for all.

Perhaps you do not quite realize the importance of using God's Word as our first weapon of defence. Satan knows its value and therefore his very first attack was levelled against it. Let's take a round trip to the Garden of Eden and see exactly what transpired there. There his question to Eve was, "Hath God said?" (Genesis 3:1). And in this subtle way he began to sow doubts in the human mind as to the truth of God's Word. The Apostle Paul firmly states in

Romans 3:4, "**Let God be true, but every man (and demon) a liar.**" The Lord Jesus Christ puts the finger on the Devil when He calls him the father of liars (John 8:44). Down through the ages Satan has manifested himself repeatedly in this same role.

But why all this satanic antagonism? Why does Satan exhibit such hatred against God's Word? Because it proclaims his **defeat** and **final overthrow**. (Cf. Genesis 3:15; Hebrews 2:14; Revelation 20:10.)

I recall reading of an incident that took place in a large American city where a local worldly wiseacre was going to publicly take a visiting evangelist to task. This infidel had boastfully proclaimed what he intended to do when the preacher began his message. All this "hot air" caused considerable excitement and many interested cronies of like mind were present at the service to see their friend put this evangelist behind the proverbial eight-ball.

Needless to say, things did not go as these rascals had anticipated, for when the sermon was given the speaker quoted Scripture after Scripture and clearly and forcibly presented the truth of man's need of salvation, and God's wonderful provision of a Saviour. The infidel's cheering section was somewhat perplexed at the failure of their friend to offer even one word of ridicule or protest. After the service, upon interrogation, the infidel explained his defeat by saying, "All that fellow said was thus saith the Lord, thus saith the Lord, and I didn't come here to argue with almighty God."

"Thus saith the Lord," is your warrant and alone can give you the victory. You have been made **SAFE** by Christ's finished work, and are made **SURE** by God's faithful Word.

It is absolutely necessary that each honest-to-goodness Christian, not just reasonable facsimiles, should be sure of his salvation.

# TRUTH FOR YOUTH

## THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE



### KNOW THE BOOK

#### God's Plan For Man:

What salvation includes: Reconciliation, Romans 5:1-11. The Lord, through Paul, tells us that we were not only weak, helpless (v. 6) and sinful (v. 8), before we accepted the Lord, but we were actually enemies of God (v. 10), fighting His love and His purpose for our lives. He was not angry with us, but we needed to have our enmity against Him removed, as well as the sin which caused us to be His enemies. The act of changing an enemy into a friend is known in the Bible as Reconciliation.

**Read Romans 5:1-11.** How is "peace with God" made? (v. 1) On the basis of the study of Ephesians, chapter two, considered in this column last month, why are we at enmity with God?

Why is it that Christ is the One who can provide salvation for us? Why can't we handle it? Romans 5:6, 7; Romans 3:23; Acts 4:12. Think this through carefully.

**Romans 5:7, 8.** How would you explain these verses? Would Isaiah 53:10 shed any light on this?

**Romans 5:10.** What great change took place in our relationship to God? How would you explain the last part of verse 10 . . . we shall be saved by His life? 1 Cor. 3:3, 4; Romans 6:11.

**Romans 5:11.** What should be the outcome of this finished work of Christ? Also Phil. 4:4. What is the reason for this outcome? Rom. 5:1.

Every young person who has had a personal, heart-to-heart transaction with the risen Christ, whose sins are under the blood, who is born again and is a new creature because of the miracle which God has wrought in him should **KNOW** that he is saved.

Common sense alone tells us that unless we are securely founded upon the Rock, Christ Jesus, we are not in a position to help anyone else who is sinking in sin's murky waters. Christian young people should not be going around like human question marks, but, on the contrary, they should be living exclamation marks.

Listen to the testimony of the Apostle Paul, 'For I **know** whom I have believed, and **am persuaded** that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day' (1 Timothy 1:12).

In the fourth chapter of Matthew, the Lord Jesus Christ met the attack of the Devil by using the divinely provided "two-edged sword", which is quick and powerful. (Hebrews 4:12). In this way, when tempted in the wilderness, Jesus decisively repulsed the Devil by three words, "**It is written**".

When you have accepted His condition of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, He says you are one of His children. Doubt no longer! Rest on the Word of God alone. "He that believeth **HATH**." Faith in God's fact brings assurance. Keep the eye of faith fixed on the Lord Jesus. Ever remember that your salvation is based upon His finished work and perfect sacrifice. Never look within and worry. Look up and keep on trusting!

Martin Luther once dreamed that Satan unfolded before him a long record of his sins. After examining the roll carefully he asked Satan:

"Are these all my sins?"

"No," replied Satan.

"Then show me them all," said Luther.

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"LET NO MAN DESPISE THY YOUTH;  
BUT BE THOU AN EXAMPLE . . ."  
(1 Timothy 4:12.)



### SENTENCE SERMONS

#### Subject: "**Humility**"

Those who know God will be humble. Those who know themselves cannot be proud.

The great man is the man who is little enough to let God be great.

The branches that bear the most fruit hang the lowest.

The Lord uses those who see themselves little in their own eyes.

God has two thrones: one in the highest heaven and the other in the lowliest heart.

Great men are the ones unconscious of greatness. Only little men must increase their size by inflation.

Meekness is not weakness but strength harnessed for service.

If you think God's thoughts, you'll never think highly of yourself.

The smaller we are the more room God has.

A good violinist is one with ability to play first fiddle and a willingness to play second.

True humility is the emptiness of self which God fills.

2 Corinthians 5:19, 20. Now that we have appropriated the work of Christ, God has committed to us the most important task in all the world. What is it? What does the phrase, "In Christ's stead" mean to you?

How can we be certain of our salvation. Romans 8:28, 29. Almost invariably after we have accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour, doubts enter our minds as to whether or not we are really Christians. Since salvation is a complete work of God we can be sure that it is not going to fail somewhere along the way. It is dependent on God's perfect will and not on the weapons of men. In this passage Paul is talking about a particular group of people: "them that love God." For them God has done many wonderful things which He had planned before the world was created. Surely God, who is sovereign, will not let His plans fail.

#### Explanation:

V. 28—"called"—those who have put their trust in Christ.

V. 29—"foreknow"—God has known from before time began, the exact course of events of the whole universe.

V. 33—"elect"—those chosen of God, those that love Him.

**Read Romans 8:28-39.** In Romans 8:28, 29, what does God promise to those that love Him, and are His called ones? Does He tell us that there will be no problems connected with the Christian life? 1 Peter 4:12; 1 Peter 2:20.

**Romans 8:29, 30.** What destiny has God planned for us in relation to His Son? Do we have any part in this, or does God do it all? How do Romans 12:1, 2 and Galatians 2:20 shed light on this? Compare Romans 6:11 with your answer.

**Romans 8:30-34.** How does verse 31 qualify verse 33? Is there any condemnation for a Christian? John 3:18; Romans 8:1.



# THE ANSWERED PRAYER

By Mrs. E. W. Storie

The man of God is always a man of prayer. If the believer will not pray at any other time they will pray when trouble presents itself. The believer is encouraged to pray by God's promises and impelled to pray by his own necessities. Confidence in the power of prayer is intensified by the exercise of prayer. The man who has no faith in prayer is the man who never prays. He who prays with a view to making an experiment as to the efficacy of prayer only wastes the breath he uses in the experiment.

This is backed up by scripture. We read, "He who cometh to God must believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of them that (seek Him once in awhile. No!) diligently seek Him." "He that doubteth need expect nothing." Again we read in I Tim. 2:8, "I will therefore that men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting." "For verily I say unto you, that whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith." Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe (not doubt) that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.

My prayer is, May the Lord help us to not doubt so that our prayers be not hindered. Sometimes I believe our prayers are hindered because we do not hold on in faith and give up. God does not always answer just as soon as we ask. As in the case of Daniel, there may be a battle on and the answer to our prayers may be hindered in getting to us. That does not say that God has not heard. Daniel 10:10, "And, behold, an hand touched me, which set me upon my knees and upon the palms of my hands. And he said unto me, O Daniel, a man greatly beloved, understand the words that I speak unto thee, and stand upright for unto thee am I now sent. And when he had spoken this word unto me, I stood trembling. Then said he unto me, Fear not, Daniel: for from the first day that thou didst

set thine heart to understand, and to chasten thyself before God, thy words were heard, and I am come for thy words. But the prince of the Kingdom of Persia withstood me one and twenty days, but, lo, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me."

God always answers believing prayer, sometime, somewhere. We will get the answer if we do not begin to doubt.

I am reminded just now of a woman whose husband had left her and she had not heard a word from him and did not even know if he were dead or alive for seven years. She came to the Lord and got saved and filled with the Holy Ghost, and heard the word of God that he answered prayer. She had great faith at that time so she began to pray that she would hear from her husband, as she still wanted him to come back to her. They had only been married a short time when he left her. Time went on and she did not hear from him, so she began to doubt and thought God was not going to answer her prayer. She made arrangements to marry again, and, just at that time she got a letter from her husband, but it was too late then, as she had made up her mind to marry again. She told the writer that she wished she had have waited and trusted God. There is no doubt God heard her prayer from the first day it was made, but as in the case of Daniel the prayer was hindered in some way. How it pays to hold on in faith and not waver, realizing "God is faithful that promised". A child once prayed, "Give us this day our daily bread, and please, Lord, put some jam on it." God not only gives us the bread but puts some jam on it. He tells us to "ask largely that our joy might be full."

In the Bible there are some wonderful answers to believing prayer. Space would not permit us to mention many of them, but we will look at Daniel's prayer.

The presidents, governors, and princes, counsellors and captains of King Darius Kingdom made a firm decree that whosoever shall ask a petition of any God or man for thirty days save King Darius, that he should be cast into a den

of lions and they took it to the king and had him sign it, but that did not stop Daniel from praying to his God. He opened the window of his chamber toward Jerusalem, he kneeled upon his knees three times a day and prayed and gave thanks before his God as he did aforetime. These men saw Daniel praying to his God, so he was cast into the den of lions. Very early in the morning the king went to the den and called to Daniel and said, "Is thy God, whom thou servest continually, able to deliver thee from the lions"? And Daniel said, "My God hath sent his angel, and hath shut the lions' mouths, that they have not hurt me. So Daniel was taken up out of the den and no manner of hurt was found upon him, because he believed in his God". God heard and answered Daniel's prayer.

Again we read of Daniel's prayer being answered. King Nebuchadnezzar dreamed dreams, wherewith his spirit was troubled. "Then the king commanded to call the magicians and the astrologers and the scorcerers and the Chaldeans, for to shew the king his dreams. So they came and stood before the king." The king told these men that his spirit was troubled to know the dream, "tell thy servants the dream, and we will shew the interpretation". The king answered and said to the Chaldeans, "The thing is gone from me: if you will not make known unto me the dream, with the interpretation thereof, ye shall be cut in pieces, and your houses shall be made a dunghill." Because they could not tell the dream to the king "the decree went forth that the wise men should be slain and they sought Daniel and his fellows to be slain". Daniel asked the king's captain, "Why is the decree so hasty from the king? Then Arioch made the thing known to Daniel. Then Daniel went in, and desired of the king that he would give him time, and that he would shew the king the interpretation." Then Daniel made the thing known to his companions and they asked mercies of the God of heaven. God revealed unto Daniel the dream and the interpretation in a night vision.

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# PROBLEM OF THE SINNER

By A. Kudra

There is a lot said about the exceedingly sinfulness of man in the Bible, the word of God. However, man is devising ways and means to dispel the idea that sin is inherent in man. Many promote the idea that sin can eventually be eradicated when a person allows that so-called "spark of divinity" to gain the pre-eminent place in the person's heart. This is done without the knowledge of Jesus Christ the Saviour. The psychiatrist lays his patient on a comfortable analyst's couch and tries to explain away the person's guilt. Much of psychiatry is the implacable enemy of Christianity because its views are directly opposed to the Word of God.

There are others that teach that a man becomes a sinner gradually if he allows himself to be swayed by sinful practices. This is also contrary to the Bible Doctrine of man's sinfulness for we read in the Psalm of David, "Behold, I was shapen in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me." Ps. 51:5.

There is still another faction that teaches there is no such thing as sin in this world. They teach that when the mind of the person conquers everything, he will come to this "profound conclusion". This is called Christian Science; their main teaching is "mind over matter" thus ruling out sin. John the beloved disciple of Jesus Christ says this, "If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us." I Jn. 1:8, 10.

The problem of the sinner has been great since the fall of man. God created Adam and Eve nearly 6,000 years ago and placed them in the beautiful garden of Eden to tend it. The Lord made one prohibition to the first man and woman. He said, "Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die." This warning was not obeyed by Adam and Eve. They listened to the voice

of Satan who was hell-bent to make them sin and thus reduce them to two mounds of clay again that he may become the usurper of the recreated world. Eve sinned and so did Adam by partaking of the forbidden fruit and then they hid in the bush from the presence of God. They lost their hallowed glorious garments and made themselves a covering using fig leaves typical of man's righteousnesses "which are as filthy rags". Isa. 64:6. From the fall of the first man and woman the whole race was affected and thus the Scripture is true when it says, "All have sinned and come short of the glory of God". Rom. 3:23. "Wherefore as by one man sin entered into the world and death by sin, so death passed upon all men for that all have sinned. Rom. 5:12.

Down through the ages God has offered man the privilege of restoring his fellowship with Himself but these offers were bluntly turned down by sinning humanity. When God looked down from heaven "to see if there were any that understand and seek God", He reported the result of His world-wide observation in these words: "There is none righteous, no, not one." Ps. 14:2, 3. The Gentiles were addicted to the most degrading superstitions. Their idolatries were multiplied and multiform. Every nation worshipped its own gods, and forgot the God of heaven. Such was the condition of the Gentiles. Thus man was in a condition of guilt and utter helplessness. He is guilty in his helplessness, and helpless in his guilt. He is the subject of depravity and condemnation, equally impotent to counteract the former or to remove the latter. The apostasy of the race is universal, and the proof of it is found everywhere from the equator to the poles. "They are all gone aside, they are all together become filthy: there is none that doeth good, no, not one." Ps. 14:2, 3.

Man needs a Saviour. Man could not atone for man's sin. Man was unable to meet the requirements of the law because of his sinfulness. The only person that could effect reconciliation between God and man was the Lord Jesus Christ. He was the answer to the problem

of the hell-bound sinner. Only he could make atonement for our sin and the only way He could do that was to meet the requirements of the Law of God. To make reparation of injury, expiation or satisfaction He would have to die on the cross of Calvary as our Sin-Bearer. Knowing the cost to the utmost, He willingly paid it and voluntarily laid down His life for us that we might have Life Eternal. Wonderful victory! Jesus went through all suffering to make this Way to the Heavenly Father. He agonized in the Garden of Gethsemane, suffered in the hands of the governors, the Sanhedran, the people, the militia and finally the ignominious death on the cross of Calvary. Such wonderful love. John tells us in the third chapter of his gospel of the wonderful love of God. "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

Friend, the problem of being a sinner can be solved. You must come to the right source. You won't find this in any institution of learning but in the Lord Jesus Christ. He is the answer to your need. Believe on Him and your problem will be solved. Do it now. Hear the words of Paul: "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." Rom. 10:9-10.

**THERE ARE THREE BOOKS THAT ARE NECESSARY TO THE SUCCESS OF A RELIGIOUS MEETING—"THE BIBLE, THE HYMN BOOK AND THE POCKETBOOK."**

**FAITH BELIEVES THE INCREDIBLE, CLAIMS THE IMPOSSIBLE, AND SEES THE INVISIBLE.**

**LET YOUR NEIGHBOR KNOW WHAT CHRIST HAS DONE FOR YOU, IF YOU WANT THEM TO KNOW WHAT HE'LL DO FOR THEM.**



## DO ALL SPEAK WITH TONGUES?

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fore, just give ear to the Word of God, and "from such turn away". II Tim. 3:5. A great many people are living in a form of godliness, and think they are all right, but they continue to remain in that position and ridicule the Power of God, condemning others who are willing to step out into the "light of God's Word", as fanatics, because they do not themselves know the truth. Many of these same people do not want the truth, because of the reproach—they are afraid they might not be classed among the noble if they confess that they believe in the Bible, but when the Day of Judgment comes, will they be judged by what this world thought of them, or by God's Word? Listen to the words of Jesus, "the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day." John 12:48.

Then, my friend, how will you escape? "How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation?" Heb. 2:3. Let the Word of God speak to you, and do not regard the manifestations of the Spirit as fanaticism. It is of God, and He has not changed. What He did in Bible days, He will do today. There is nothing any more peculiar found in an Apostolic meeting, than was found in the time of the Prophets and Apostles. Search the scriptures, and see for yourself.

## ASK YE OF THE LORD RAIN IN THE TIME OF THE LATTER RAIN

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Israel. The former rain comes in October. This rain softens the soil and germinates the seed. The latter rain falls in the month Abib or April, which is the first month for Israel. This rain was for the completion of the crop and came just before harvest. Both these rains are needful for a good yield.

There are many promises like this one in Deuteronomy that speak of the literal rain, and has to do with Israel. But then there are many places in the Bible where spiritual rain is spoken of. Isa. 44:3, "For I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground." Zech. 10:1, "Ask ye of the Lord rain in the time of the latter rain, so the Lord

shall make bright clouds."

There was a time for the literal latter rain to fall, that was just before harvest. There is a time for the spiritual latter rain to fall, and it is just before the spiritual harvest, or the end of this age.

Hosea 6:2-3, After two days (milleniums) will He revive us . . . And He shall come on us as the rain, as the latter and former rain unto the earth. You will notice Hosea mentions the latter rain first, because he is speaking of Israel's restoration. That day is upon us. Israel is being restored to their own land. This is the greatest sign of Christ's soon return.

Joel 2:23, And He will cause to come down for you the rain, the former and the latter rain in the first month, and the floors shall be full of wheat, and the fats shall overflow with wine and oil. Joel is speaking of a restoring time, a restoring of the things to the church that were lost during the dark age. Joel 2:28, And it shall come to pass afterward (after the restoring) that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions; And also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my spirit. This out-pouring is after the restoring and before the great and terrible day of the Lord come.

Peter declares in Acts 3:21, "Whom the heaven's must receive until the times of restitution (restoration) of all things spoken by the prophets since the world began." Moffatt translation reads thus. "Who must be kept in heaven till the period of the restoration."

On the day of Pentecost Peter did not say, "This scripture is fulfilled, because he knew this was not the complete fulfilment of Joel's prophesy. He said the very opposite. "But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel; And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh." Not the Jews only, but all flesh. And again the great out-pouring is linked with the coming of the Lord, and the great day of judgment.

The Bible declares there will be

a lamp-trimming time before the marriage. Matt. 25. Also a refreshing time, Acts 3:19.

This is what Isaiah may have seen through the telescope of prophecy. Isa. 59:19. When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against him. Verse twenty continues, And the Redeemer shall come to Zion. The standard of the Spirit is lifted again just before Jesus comes to Zion.

Now if this is so, then we have in the days prior to Jesus coming, "Revival amidst Apostasy". Revival in the church and apostasy in the world, and it will only be by the spirit of revival, or the spirit that God has provided for the hour, that the church will be able to stand against the spirit of apostasy.

The literal latter rain fell for the completion of the crop, and the spiritual latter rain will fall for the completion of the church in this dispensation. Without the literal latter rain the sun would scorch the grain in a short time, because the sun is in its hottest stage when the grain is ripening. And without the mighty out-pouring of the spirit we will never be able to withstand the enemy, because he is going to come in like a flood just before the rapture.

It takes the hot sun and the rain to produce good wheat, and when the spirit of the Devil comes in like a flood, it will only work for our good, and bring glory to God, if we have the mighty power of His Spirit.

When Moses went down into the land of Egypt to deliver the children of Israel, Pharoah, who is a type of the Devil, tried his best and used all his colleague to defeat God's plan, but each new device was brought to naught by God's anointed servant, and only proved in the end to the Egyptians that God alone was Almighty.

In the end of this age the Devil will do his best to defeat God's work, lead the elect astray, and guide the sinner to a lost eternity. God speaks in the book of Joel of a strong people, which resembles a great army. They are like a devouring fire in a stubble field. Nothing can stand before them.

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## WHAT IS NOT THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY GHOST

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with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name. And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven. Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you. **NOTWITHSTANDING** in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven." (Luke 10:17-20.) The greatest source of joy is not in healing of the sick and casting out demons, but in knowing that the believer's name is written in the Book of Life in Heaven. Well, were the disciples' names written in heaven before the Day of Pentecost? Of course they were. They were united with Christ as members of His body, as the branches are united with the vine. Therefore, a person can be saved and possess the Gift of Eternal Life through faith in Christ, and yet not be baptized with the Holy Ghost. This needs to be heralded from the house-tops today. It's not every regenerate believer that is a baptized believer. It matters not how much joy accompanies the individual's salvation, that is not necessarily the experience of the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. These disciples had joy for three and a half years as they walked with Jesus upon the earth, yet they did not have the Baptism of the Holy Ghost for Jesus definitely commanded to "tarry until they be endued with power". (Luke 24:49.)

**THE SAMARITAN BELIEVERS HAD JOY OF SALVATION** but they did not at that moment have the joy and power of the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. Let us briefly pause right here and examine Acts 8:5-17. Philip, one of the seven deacons, is the Evangelist in Samaria. As he commences to preach "Christ" the people believed his message, and the sick were healed. "And the people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did. For unclean spirits crying with loud voice, came out of many that were possessed with them: and

many taken with palsies, and that were lame were healed. **AND THERE WAS GREAT JOY IN THE CITY.**" (vs. 6-8.) Would anyone dare to say that these people received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost at this point? Let us be willing to face the clear progression of truth. They were saved and had "great joy". The whole city had great joy of salvation. They witnessed the miraculous power of God displayed upon the sick and demon tormented ones. But friends, the Samaritans had not yet received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. For note, that it was after this that they received this experience. The next thing that Philip did was teach them the truth of baptism by immersion in the Name of Jesus Christ. "But when they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ they were baptized both men and women." (v. 12.) Now after this, we have the account of the apostles coming from Jerusalem and laying hands upon these saved Samaritans to receive the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. Listen to the clear presentation of the Word of God. "Now when the apostles which were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the Word of God, they sent unto them Peter and John: Who, when they were come down prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Ghost: (For as yet He was fallen upon none of them: only they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.) (v. 14-16.) Now what clearer explanation do we need than that? The Bible says that these Samaritans were saved, but none of them were yet baptized with the Holy Ghost. This is a true picture of so many in our evangelical circles today who are saved, but "none" of them have received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. Now note what follows. "Then laid they their hands on them, and they received the Holy Ghost." (v. 17.) This is ample proof for any earnest seeker after truth.

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Behind them they leave their mark, and this people will prove that their God is still on the throne, and that a standard of the spirit has been raised against the enemy.

## NOT GROWING OLD

They say that I am growing old.  
I've heard them tell it times untold,  
In language plain and bold—  
But I'm not growing old.

This frail old shell in which I dwell  
Is growing old, I know full well—  
But I am not the shell.

What if my hair is turning grey?  
Grey hairs are honorable, they say.  
What if my eyesight's growing dim?  
I still can see to follow Him  
Who sacrificed His life for me  
Upon the Cross of Calvary.

What should I care if Time's old plow  
Has left its furrows on my brow?  
Another house, not made with hand,  
Awaits me in the Glory Land.

What tho' I falter in my walk?  
What tho' my tongue refuse to talk?  
I still can tread the Narrow Way,  
I still can watch, and praise and pray.

My hearing may not be as keen  
As in the past it may have been,  
Still, I can hear my Saviour say  
In whispers soft, "This is the way."

The outward man, do what I can  
To lengthen out his life's short span,  
Shall perish, and return to dust,  
As everything in nature must.

The inward man, the Scriptures say,  
Is growing stronger every day.  
Then how can I be growing old  
When safe within my Saviour's fold?

Ere long my soul shall fly away  
And leave this tenement of clay.  
This robe of flesh I'll drop, and rise  
To seize the "everlasting prize"—  
I'll meet you on the Streets of Gold,  
And prove that I'm not growing old.  
Selected.

## MY GOD, I LOVE THEE

My God, I love thee; not because  
I hope for heaven thereby,  
Nor yet because who love thee not  
Must die eternally.  
Thou, O my Jesus, thou didst me  
Upon the cross embrace;  
For me didst bear the nails and  
spear  
And manifold disgrace;  
Then why, O blessed Jesus Christ,  
Should I not love thee well?  
Not for the hope of winning  
heaven,  
Or of escaping hell;  
Not with the hope of gaining  
aught,  
Not seeking a reward;  
But as thyself hast loved me,  
O ever loving Lord!  
E'en so I love thee, and will love,  
And in thy praise will sing;  
Solely because thou art my God,  
And my eternal King.  
—Selected.



# IN CHRIST

T. A. Johnson

The above title seems at first glance to be very insignificant, and does not appear very eloquent, as far as words are concerned. Perhaps to the casual reader it might be a little unimpressive. But it does carry a message of deep and vital truth for the child of God, and to the sinner as well, if he will take heed or time to listen. We will, by God's help, try not to be dogmatic nor eccentric in our procedure, as we know of some who have gone over the deep end, in treading on forbidden ground. It is very easy to swing either way, and we want to keep in the middle of the pathway, rightly dividing the Word of Truth, and allow the Word of God to be its own interpreter and its own commentary. The Word of God, after all, is so plainly written, and so simple in its construction, that if we come with an honest heart, we will not be ashamed nor confounded.

2 Cor. 5:17. "Therefore if any man be **IN CHRIST**, he is a new creature; (creation) old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." What does it mean to be **IN CHRIST**? To be in Christ means more than to have been born in a Christian land. It means more than to have our names written on a church roll. It means more than to shake hands with the preacher. It means more than to have a form of religion. It means more than to be baptized in water. These are all good, but if we do all or any of these to make ourselves think that we are in Christ, we are far away from the truth of God. To be in Christ means to be "a new creature". Not a patch up of the old, not white-washing the outside, but an inward cleansing, a purifying, by the power of the Cross. To sum it all up, it means to be "**BORN AGAIN**". Jesus' own message to Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews, a Pharisee, who came to Jesus by night, was: "... except a man be born again (marg. from above, a heavenly birth) he cannot see the kingdom of God." Nicodemus, like a lot of other folks of our day (who are Pharisees for sure) confuse the

new birth with the natural one. They do have things in common, in that they are real births, they are the beginning of a new life, a new person. The only thing in contrast is the nature or disposition, and the length of each. The natural birth is a temporal one, and lasts for only a short time, and the spiritual one is one that is endless, and lasts forever. Nicodemus said, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? He was blind to spiritual truth, for the natural (unregenerate) man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned". These above mentioned scriptures are found in **John 3:3-4, and 1 Cor. 2:14.**

Let us see what John writes about the new birth. **John 1:12-13.** "But as many as received him (accepted Him as Saviour) to them gave he power (marg. right or privilege) to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name." Receiving Christ then is the first step or the prelude to being born again, to become sons of God, or to be "in Christ". He contrasts the new birth with the natural one in the next verse. "Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God." The natural birth which brings into being a new person with a human or a body of flesh and blood, is spoken of as: of blood, of the will of the flesh, of the will of man. But the new birth, in contrast, is entirely of God, we had nothing to do with it, God did it of His own free will and volition. The natural or physical birth brings a being into the world, and the new birth brings a being into the kingdom of God.

Hear what Peter tells us about this vital truth: **1 Peter 1:23-25.** "Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the Word of God, which liveth and abideth forever. For all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away: But the Word of the

Lord endureth forever. And this is the word which by the Gospel is preached unto you.' Here we see the natural birth, a corrupt seed was its origin. Then we see the end of this birth, "the grass withereth, and the flower falleth". That is death to the natural man who came with a natural birth. But see the contrast. The person who has been born again has had a birth of incorruptible seed, a seed which cannot be corrupted. Jesus was like that. He was sinless, pure, holy, undefiled, and had an endless life, not subject to corruption. **Acts 2:31. In John 12:24,** Jesus speaks of His own death and His burial. "Verily, verily, I say unto you, except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit." Then again in **Heb. 2:10.** "For it became him (it was necessary that He should taste death for every man, as in verse 9) in bringing many sons unto glory." In other words, Christ had to die, the seed (not seeds as of many, but as of one, and to thy seed, which is Christ, who was the incorruptible seed) had to be placed into the ground in death in order to bring forth a seed like Himself. Like always begets like, that is the law of God, and also of nature. It says, **John 1:1,** "... and the Word was God". verse 14. "And the Word was made flesh". Jesus Himself was the Word which was that incorruptible seed as spoken of in 1 Peter, which fell into the ground, which died, and we know there is to be a glorious harvest come forth, the "many sons" are yet to come forth, and it will be more than an hundred-fold. What a harvest! He did not die in vain. It is a wonderful thing to be in Christ, having been born again, members of His body, and then linked together in beautiful unity and harmony while here below. But we also have a great responsibility toward our fellowmen, because of being in Christ. We do not, and cannot lazily fold our hands in slumber and sleep. There is work to do, and we have a job to perform, a duty toward Christ in this life, before the great harvest, when the Lord is to gather the grain into His garner. **2 Cor. 5:19.** "To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself and hath committed unto us (born again be-

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## DIVINE HEALING

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unto his crown". Thus we see there is a restraining power which holds Satan in check from afflicting God's people except the Lord permits, as is evidenced by the fact that Jesus said to Peter—"Simon, Simon; behold Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat: But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not." (Luke 22:31-32.)

Even a cursory examination of the history of God's people Israel reveals the fact that healing was one of God's providences for them. Thus we read "I will take sickness away from the midst of you." (Ex. 23:25.) "I am the Lord that healeth thee"; (Ex. 15:26) or as it is aptly translated in the Norwegian Bible—"I am thy doctor." David tells us that God "brought them forth and there was not one feeble person among their tribes". (Psa. 105:37.) This is a staggering statement of Divine omnipotence, in that upwards of one million people are kept in divine health by divine power, and none among them even enfeebled by the rigors of the wilderness. Where could one turn today to find a community of even one thousand souls without finding inroads of sickness and disease among them; yet Jehovah-Rapha (The Lord that healeth) upheld a million Israelites to the degree that none were even "feeble". Hallelujah! What a wonderful God He is! Well might David take his harp and sing—"Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases".

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## THE ANSWERED PRAYER

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Then Daniel blessed the God of heaven. "Therefore Daniel went in unto Arioch, whom the king had ordained to destroy the wise men of Babylon, he went in and said thus unto him. Destroy not the wise men of Babylon: bring me in before the king, and I will shew unto the king the interpretation." Daniel was taken before the king and made known unto him the dream, also the interpretation, and the lives of all the men were spared because God answered the prayer of Daniel and his companions.

Let this be an encouragement to us all. Like Daniel let us be strong in faith, for Daniel's God still answers prayer.

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lievers) the word of reconciliation." verse 20. "Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God." Christ has left this old world, and is now seated as Great High Priest on His throne, but He has left the responsibility of winning souls, to His own children, His followers, His seed, or the "many sons". 1 John 4:17. "... because as he is, so are we in this world." In 1 John 3:2, it is written, "Beloved, now are we the sons of God". It does not say tomorrow, next week, next month, next year, when He comes, but it says, "NOW". If that is the case, and the Word means what it says, we then have been placed in a new position, in a new realm, with a greater responsibility, and with higher credentials. Christ, who was the light of the world has risen, and is now seated at the right hand of the majesty on high. Heb. 1:3. Jesus said, John 9:5. "As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." In Acts 1:2, we read, "Until the day in which he was taken up," and again in verse 11, "this same Jesus which is taken up from you into heaven." So He left this world behind as He rose to His glorious throne. Was the world to be without a LIGHT then? Was it forever to grope in darkness after the light of the world (Jesus) had ascended? That would be a great calamity wouldn't it? He made provision for that also, and conferred upon the "many sons" the heavenly degree, they were to be ordained to take His place. Listen! Matt. 5:14. "Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid." What a degree! "Ye are the light of the world!" Christ, as Son of Righteousness has gone down, at Calvary, and now we are living in the time of the world's night. This is darkness, this is night, and we know that the moon and the stars are types of the church collectively and also individually. They shine by borrowed light from the Sun. So we as God's children have been placed in a

world of sin and darkness, and Jesus said, "Let your light so shine before men". He said "your light", and more than bearing a torch as apart from our being, we have become more than that, we have become the very light itself. 1 Thess. 5:5. "Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night nor of darkness." Eph. 5:8. "For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light." In 1 John 1:5 we read, "... God is light, and in him is no darkness at all". If we are truly born again, if we have entered into Christ, then we have received from God that which Christ had, we are to act in His place. We have become representatives of His. Rom. 8:16-17, puts the capstone on the whole structure. "The Spirit itself beareth witness with our Spirit, that we are the children of God: And if children, then heirs; heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ." What is His, is mine. He divides the inheritance with you and with me. The power and authority to deliver and to loose men and women from their sins and sicknesses, and to bind Satan has been conferred upon the many sons. Jesus, when He was on earth healed all manner of sickness and disease among the people, He even raised the dead. Did you know what Jesus said in Luke 10:19. "I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy." Also in Matt. 16:19, Jesus said, "... whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven". Again we read, Mark 16:17-18. "And these signs shall follow them that believe; in my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; (Pentecost) They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover." That is the great commission given to the followers of Jesus after He had ascended to His throne. Let us as His children go forth with a new vision, a new incentive, a greater zeal and desire to see God's hand moving on behalf of those who are bound by sin, sicknesses and diseases. God bless you!



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### "My Pocket Book"

I have a little pocket book  
It's very dear to me,  
I take it everywhere I go  
Companionship to be,  
I open and consult it  
When I'm starting out each day,  
For with this little souvenir  
I cannot go astray.

It's full of precious treasury notes  
My bank account and stay,  
And as a worthy citizen  
My debts I have to pay.  
Its notes are most essential  
As this lesson I've been taught,  
To use them when I'm hungry  
As they give me food for  
thought.

Its contents are wondrous value  
As its notes they are my bank.  
That's why I feel so happy  
In my highly treasured rank.  
To keep me in His service  
Which high interest doth entail  
The Master of our spiritual bank  
Can never, never fail.

My pocket book in daily use  
Is shabby, old and worn.  
Through many years of servitude  
Its worthy notes have borne.

Still holding to its sacred claims  
Though old, is ever new.  
God's love will last for evermore  
For all His chosen few.

We all must pay our righteous  
debts  
As He hath paid for all.  
His was our blood-bought sacrifice  
Condemned in Pilate's Hall.  
Remember, where His life's blood  
flowed  
That stained Golgotha's brow,  
It was for you, it was for me,  
I still can see it now.

Will you let Him be your Banker  
too  
Your Saviour and your Friend,  
Your interest sure forever in  
His home that hath no end.  
He is the Bank of saving grace,  
No price have you to pay,  
Just trust Him with your precious  
soul  
There is no other way.

This world is but a fleeting show  
Which soon shall pass away,  
Why should you wait and tarry  
here  
Amidst the battle fray?  
While Christ is calling tenderly  
Why should you longer wait?

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**TOPICS FOR TEENS**

Another long list was brought, and he again asked, "Are these all?"

"Yes," said Satan.

"Then," replied Luther, "take your pen and write across them, 'The blood of Jesus Christ His son cleanseth us from all sin'."

So remember, fellows and girls, as far as your new life is concerned, God HAS SPOKEN, and there the fact rests and remains.

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My faithful little pocket book  
Is all and all to me  
As I read its sacred pages through  
A spiritual liberty.  
Its messages of truth and grace  
The sweetest ever told,  
Expressing God's redeeming love  
Is worth its weight in gold.

My pocket book, my Testament,  
And wallet all in one.  
My Banker and my Advocate  
Is God's most precious Son.  
He's a safe and sound investment  
And my interest is a ward,  
In His Holiest of Holies  
With His Majesty, my Lord.  
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